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## SUGGESTION NOT JUSTIFIED.

The explosion at San Antonio, in which twenty-five men were killed and fifty others injured, was one of the most horrible tragedies that has occurred in Texas in a long time. It is to be hoped the investigation now in progress will locate the cause, and if it be found to be the work of enemies of the road, the full penalty of the law should be meted out to the guilty parties.—Bryan Eagle.

Such accidents are liable to occur at any time, and it is wrong to suggest that the explosion was the work of strikers. The men who are on strike in Texas have been in the employment of the Southern Pacific for many years and compare favorably with any other class of workmen. It is incredible to believe they would be party to such an awful and hideous work as the blowing up of locomotives. When the strikers have been accused of committing crimes of which they are innocent they retaliate by saying the infamy was done by persons employed by the company for the purpose of creating public sympathy. It has come to a pretty pass when such a condition should be possible in Texas, and State Topics hopes the next legislature will investigate the causes which have brought about such a state of affairs, taking all testimony under oath. The time has come when the rights of the public are to be taken into consideration. The suggestion that the accident was caused by some outside explosive is ridiculous. Locomotives, before they are taken out of the roundhouse, are fired up and it requires a long time to get up steam, consequently any outside explosive would have blown up the locomotive long before the calamity did happen. Furthermore, the engineer and firemen were in charge of the engine, so that no person could have tampered with it. Engines blow up when least expected, just as men die suddenly when in the best of health, to all outward appearances. The accident was deplorable, but no person can be blamed. It was one of those unavoidable dispensations which can never be properly explained, therefore it is wrong to intimate that either the strikers or men employed by the company knowingly caused the disaster.—State Topics.

The Eagle did not originate the insinuation at all. The suggestion had already been made in the various news items that had been published, some of which strongly intimated that the engine had been tampered with.

Some very strange accidents have happened around Houston also since the strike was declared. Of course, it was accident that the grand jury indicted two of the strike leaders for

bribery in connection with the trial of certain strikers for beating up a strikebreaker. It was also no doubt an accident that a Winchester rifle was discharged and poor old man Myers was shot dead at the Southern Pacific shops in the early morning as he was peacefully feeding his pet cats. Oh, yes, accidents will happen in the best regulated railroad strikes.

## THE BRAZOS BOTTOM RAILROAD MUST BE BUILT.

The railroad committee of the Commercial Club met this morning at 10 o'clock and took active measures for immediate work. It is recognized by the business interests that the planters in the Brazos bottom, the very heaviest subscribers to the stock of the proposed Bryan & Brazos River railroad, in volunteering to give their stock as a bonus to a new organization that they may assist in securing this road to Bryan instead of letting it go to another territory without a cent of expense to them, should be met by a quick response to insure the early building of the line. One question has been settled: a road is going to be built into the bottom this spring. If Bryan does not control it, it will be a disaster to Bryan. The committee decided upon quick and decisive action.

The plan is to visit every subscriber to the capital stock of the first proposed road and secure their consent to apply the money already paid in toward the bonus fund and then collect enough to make up the balance of the \$35,000. In order to safeguard the Bryan interests a committee selected three trustees to handle the fund, consisting of W. Wipprecht, chairman; Eugene Edge and Robert Armstrong.

The proposed contract with the railroad people will contain a clause to build the road to the Carson-Smith plantation, also to run at least one train into Bryan to arrive at about 11 o'clock daily and one returning leave Bryan at about 4 p. m.

It now seems that every feature in protecting the interests of the people of Bryan has been covered, and the main thing now is quick action that a contract may be closed up before some contingency presents itself.

## WITHOUT FEAR.

Like the bird be thou,  
That for a moment rests  
Upon the topmost bough;  
He feels the branch to bend,  
And yet as sweetly sings,  
Knowing that he has wings.  
—Victor Hugo.

We find the foregoing in the Kansas City Star. Editor Nelson has been booming "Teddy." The outlook is gloomy. Editor Nelson wishes us to know that, if the occasion arises, he can really fly.—Waco Times-Herald.

Then he had just as well begin now to plume his wings.

Bryan's streets are cleaner, the homes better kept and the yards prettier than ever before. There is a general awakening all along the line in civic improvement, and it is due largely to the splendid work done by the ladies of the Civic League.

The people of Texas are watching with great interest the case of Rev. J. Frank Norris of Fort Worth. The brother's line of direction has either fallen without the base, or he is being sorely and ruthlessly persecuted.

Houston is to have a paid director to manage its clean-up campaign. A good idea. No favorites will be played and every fellow will be made to come across.

Senator Bob Taylor now peacefully sleeps in the blue hills of Tennessee, and the sweetest harp ever attuned to human love and sympathy is forever stilled.

Brother Jake is moved to tears every time he hears the bleat of Mary's little lamb.—Waco Times-Herald.

Brother Cone is a copious weeper himself.

March went out like a roaring lion. March was a great disappointment to the people of Texas.

Anyhow the days of garden sass are rapidly approaching.

## We Need Better Tenant Houses.

The longer I live, the more thoroughly am I convinced that convenience in house and surrounding arrangements is the keynote to successful, sanitary housekeeping.

As conditions exist over a great portion of the South, it is practically impossible for the busy housewife and mother to do her duty, handicapped as she is by such great inconveniences. This is especially true among tenants. Health is menaced and disease invited.

In the first place, as a rule, the houses are poorly constructed, generally from two to four rooms crowded together without halls or porches, no closets and no outbuildings. Even the soiled clothes of the family must be kept indoors, often in a corner of the kitchen where the family food is prepared.

Then, in addition to caring for her children, chickens, cows, etc., the overworked housewife usually has to carry all the water that she uses from some spring or from the landlord's well, often two or three hundred yards distant, and must go there to do the family washing.

No woman can successfully combat flies, dirt and disease under such conditions, and to me it is no surprise that typhoid fever and other diseases that are common during warm weather are so prevalent.—Mrs. Lula Armour, in The Progressive Farmer.

## Pointed Paragraphs.

A rolling stone gathers some hard knocks.

Small men feel big when standing on their dignity.

It's his running expenses that keep many a man behind.

A man who leads a double life never does two men's work.

If you want other people to look down on you look up to them.

A professional politician is a man who has no candid opinions.

There are times when a good bluff is as effective as great riches.

In the game of hearts, when a man is in doubt he should lead diamonds.

Dancing would be awfully hard work if it wasn't for the fun of the thing.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Eagle is authorized to make the following announcements, subject to the democratic primary to be held on July 23, 1912:

## For Congress:

Hon. Rufus Hardy of Corsicana, Sixth district.

## For State Senator:

Hon. J. R. Astin.

## For Representative:

Hon. J. L. Fountain.

## For County Treasurer:

C. A. Buchanan.  
J. B. Priddy.

## For County Judge:

J. G. Minkert.  
A. G. Beard.

## For Tax Assessor:

J. Sidney Smith.

## For Constable Precinct No. 4:

John G. Smith.  
C. L. Baker.

# CLOTHES For EASTER

WE invite you to come, if for no other reason than to look at what we have

for Easter. We like to show it. It's the greatest stock of high-grade clothes for young men and progressive mature men in the world.

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